

September 3, 2003

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510-0505

RE: USA PATRIOT ACT (Public Law 107-56)

Dear Senator Feinstein:

I previously sent you a letter (dated May 28, 2003) on behalf of the Santa Barbara City Council expressing our concerns regarding the USA PATRIOT Act as it relates to the role of the City in protecting the civil liberties of Santa Barbara residents.

In the letter, I strongly encouraged you and other member of the Senate to monitor the implementation of the USA PATRIOT Act, the Homeland Security Act, and the associated orders and rules of the executive branch and to actively work for the repeal of any and all portions of the existing Acts and Orders that threaten fundamental rights and liberties as stated in the U.S. Constitution and its Amendments.

On August 26, 2003, the Santa Barbara City Council adopted the enclosed Resolution that reiterates our concerns and reinforces our encouragement that you take appropriate action to protect and restore our civil rights and liberties.

Sincerely,

Marty Blum  
Mayor

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cc: U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft  
California Governor Gray Davis  
California Attorney General Bill Lockyear  
U.S. Attorney Debra W. Yang  
Federal Bureau of Investigation, Ronald L. Iden  
Santa Barbara City Council Members